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For:	MULTILAYER STRUCTURE FOR PACKAGING AND PACKAGING CONTAINERS MANUFACTURED THEREFROM, AS WELL AS METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING OF THE MULTILAYER STRUCTURE	) ) ) ) )			C.J.

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-captioned patent application, it is requested that the following amendments be entered.

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace Claims 1-31 as follows.

1. (Amended) Multilayer structure for packaging, having a bending resistance/rigidity of at least 100 mN (as measured by SCAN-P 29-35), at least comprising an intermediate layer of an expanded polymer and on each side of said expanded polymer layer, a gas barrier layer, the material of the gas barrier layer having an oxygen gas